LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: May 24, 2005, Work Session AGENDA ITEM NO.: 3

CONSENT: REGULAR: X CLOSED SESSION: (Confidential)

ACTION: X INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: Regional Solid Waste Management Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Provide direction to city staff regarding city's participation with Region 2000 Regional Commission concerning long range solid waste management planning.

SUMMARY:

The Region 2000 Regional Commission (the Commission) identified regional solid waste management as a concept that should be investigated as a part of its efforts to promote regional cooperation and more effective use of public resources. In 2004, the Commission and a Working Group, comprised of local community representatives, conducted preliminary evaluations of the regional concept. This group evaluated the following three regional alternatives:

- Joint use of existing facilities;
- Waste-to-Energy; and
- Transfer Station(s)

Based on the initial analysis, the Commission and Working Group recognized benefits in the regional concept, and recommended that these issues be studied in greater detail by a solid waste management consulting firm. The following local governments participated in the study:

- The Counties of Amherst, Campbell, Nelson (and to a lesser degree Appomattox and Bedford)
- The Cities of Bedford and Lynchburg

Following a competitive selection process, R. W. Beck, Inc. was selected in January 2005 to complete the regional solid waste management analysis.

Attached is the completed report. Representatives from the Region 2000 Regional Planning Commission and City staff will provide a brief overview of the report.

PRIOR ACTION(S): N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: \$49,200 (Funding to complete phase II) from Solid Waste Management Fund.

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ATTACHMENT(S): Regional Solid Waste Management Report – THIS ATTACHMENT CAN BE VIEWED IN THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, CONCORD TURNPIKE, LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA (434-455-6080)

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